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Letter dated 18 May 1995 from the Permanent Representative of Croatia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Following the restoration of Croatian authority in the Western Slavonia region, I should like to inform you that the law-enforcement authorities of the Republic of Croatia have discovered payroll lists of officers commissioned in the "Army of Yugoslavia" that have been detached on active duty to the occupied territories of Croatia. The "18th Corps" of the so-called "Army of the Republic of Serbian Krajina" in Okucani (Unit Identification No. 9162) has consistently forwarded its payroll lists to the General Staff of the "Army of Yugoslavia" in Belgrade.

The said lists include the names of 6 colonels, 7 lieutenant-colonels, 8 majors, 13 captains, 9 lieutenants and more than 30 petty officers commissioned in the "Army of Yugoslavia" and paid by the Government in Belgrade. Among them are, for instance: Col. Lazo (Nikole) Babic (ID No. 2705946108874); Col. Slobodan (Ignjatija) Peric (ID No. 2310944312508); Col. Milan (Janka) Jerkic (ID No. 2507947710358); Col. Branko (Stevana) Zebic (ID No. 2310947500038); Col. Djordje (Stevana) Miliksic (ID No. 1093948312518); Col. Milan (Ilije) Romic (ID No. 2901944740836); Lt. Col. Borislav (Zdravak) Stijak (ID No. 2401957501046); Lt. Col. Milanko (Rade) Babic (ID No. 2106955393101); Lt. Col. Stevo (Milana) Harambasic (ID No. 2109958120935); Lt. Col. Ostoja (Djure) Dzambas (ID No. 2208948710219); Lt. Col. Veroljub (Branka) Smiljanic (ID No. 2105947741936); Lt. Col. Milan (Spasoja) Popovic (ID No. 2409949181710); Lt. Col. Ilija (Ljubomira) Vuckovic (ID No. 0107952782842); this is but a small sample of the Yugoslav commissioned officers.

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As expressed in my letter dated 28 March 1995 (A/50/124-S/1995/229), Croatia considers this as yet another confirmation of the direct involvement of the Belgrade regime in the military occupation of the Republic of Croatia, as has already been established by the General Assembly in its resolution 49/43 of 9 December 1994. This fact provides further evidence that the "Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro)" did not fulfil its obligation to fully withdraw the "JNA" from the Republic of Croatia.

I should also like to reiterate in this regard the importance of Security Council resolution 871 (1993), which establishes a connection between the involvement of the "Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro)" in the occupied territories of Croatia and the sanctions regime imposed on the "Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro)" in resolutions 757 (1992), 787 (1992) and 820 (1993); and of resolution 981 (1995), which provides for the control of the international borders of Croatia not under the control of the Croatian authorities by the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia (UNCRO).

I would kindly request your assistance in circulating the text of the present letter as a document of the General Assembly, under item 92 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

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